TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 526 - HB 817

April 17, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (007188): Prohibits a member of any elected board or commission of a county or municipality to be elected through an election procedure requiring candidates to be nominated from a district and elected at-large, effective January 1, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-53-110 currently prohibits members of local governing bodies to be elected through a procedure that requires candidates to be nominated from a district and elected at-large, with some exceptions. However, such prohibition is of no effect unless it is approved by a majority of qualified voters of the county or municipality to which it may apply.
- The proposed legislation removes these exceptions and removes the local government approval requirement in order for the prohibition to apply.
- Any local election commission that currently elects candidates through this election procedure will be able to alter the way its elections are carried out with no significant fiscal impact to the local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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